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SUBJECT:MALAGASY MILITARY EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

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1. FOLLOWING PRICES AND AVAILABILITIES ARE FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY.

2. A) REBUILT M-14S COULD BE AVAILABLE IN ABOUT 12 MONTHS AT A COST OF APPROXIMATELY DOLS. 116 EACH WITH A MINIMUM ORDER OF 100. THERE WOULD BE NO ADDITIONAL COST FOR A SWITCH TO MAKE THE RIFLE AUTOMATIC.

B) THERE IS NO M-76 GRENADE LAUNCHER. REBUILT M-79 GRENADE LAUNCHERS WOULD BE AVAILABLE IN ABOUT 12 MONTHS AT A COST OF APPROXIMATELY DOLS. 230 EACH. ADAPTER
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FOR ATTACHMENT TO M-14 WOULD COST DOLS. 2.52 EACH WITH

90 DAY DELIVERY, ADAPTER FOR ATTACHMENT TO M-16 WOULD COST DOLS. 3.50 EACH WITH IMMEDIATE DELIVERY.

C) 30 CALIBER CARBINES ARE NOT IN PRODUCTION AND ARE NOT AVAILABLE.

D) 60 MM MORTARS ARE NOT IN PRODUCTION AND ARE NOT AVAILABLE. REBUILT 81 MM MORTARS WOULD BE AVAILABLE IN 12 MONTHS AT A COST OF DOLS 1301 EACH.

E) ABOVE ITEMS WOULD BE AVAILABLE THROUGH FMS ONLY.

F) H-34 HELICOPTERS ARE NO LONGER AVAILABLE. HOWEVER, S-58T IS H-34 WITH TURBINE ENGINE AND CAN BE PURCHASED FROM SIKORSKY AIRCRAFT FOR APPROXIMATELY DOLS. 800,000

WITH ABOUT 4 MONTHS DELIVERY. ARMY RECOMMENDS JET RANGER HELICOPTER AVAILABLE COMMERCIALY AT COST OF AROUND DOLS. 150,000 WITH 30 MONTHS FOR DELIVERY. HELICOPTERS COULD NOT BE SOLD THROUGH FMS FOR PURPOSE STATED REFTEL.

G) 105 FOOT PATROL CRAFT SIMILAR TO SWIFT WOULD BE AVAILABLE COMMERCIALY IN 15 MONTHS AT APPROXIMATE COST OF DOLS 500,000. KISSINGER

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